

CITY OF MADISON, INDIANA

Meeting of the Human Relations Commission

Thursday, August 2, 2018, 9:00 AM City Hall Conference Room

MINUTES

Approved August 16, 2018

Present: Nathan Montoya (Chair), Sue Livers (Vice-Chair), Bob Pimlott (Secretary/Treasurer),

Bob Canida, Shirley Kloepfer, Allen Watson

Absent: Chris Albers

Guests: Kathy Barnum, Carri Dirksen, Andrew Forrester, Vinal Lee, Ben McKay, Kim Nyberg,

Jeff Pflug, John Wallace

- I. Meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Chair, Nathan Montoya.
- II. Minutes of the March 22, 2018 HRC meeting were distributed and reviewed. Canida moved to approve minutes with no additions or corrections. Motion seconded by Watson. All in favor. Motion passed.
- III. Kim Nyberg from the Madison Arts Alliance shared information about a kindness matters mural. Canida moved to approve co-sponsoring, in conjunction with the City of Madison a grant application to pay costs for the mural. Motion seconded by Kloepfer. All in favor. Motion passed.
- IV. Montoya introduced Reverend Bill Johnson as a new member of the HRC.
- V. Montoya gave an overview of statistics related to incidence of mental health issues.
- VI. Montoya introduced Kathy Barnum and Reverend Jeff Pflug representing the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Reverend Pflug gave an overview of NAMI and shared information concerning some of the resources NAMI has to offer. Ms. Barnum presented information concerning the importance of training Crisis Intervention Teams (CIT) in

communities. Sheriff Wallace added his concerns about the intense need for mental health services for individuals who are incarcerated. A discussion was held concerning the possibility of CIT training in Jefferson County. Ms. Dirksen offered to contact Ms. Laurie Gerdt from the State Department of Community Health to determine what options they have available for CIT training.

Meeting adjourned by Chair, Nathan Montoya at 10:26 AM. Next meeting date TBD.

Respectfully submitted by: Robert L. Pimlott, Secretary/Treasurer